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Service of Process Transmittal

06/23/2021

CT Log Number 539785748

TO:

Sharon Webb

The Clayton Companies 5000 Clayton Rd Maryville, TN 37804-5550

RE:

Process Served in Mississippi

FOR:

CMH HOMES, INC. (Domestic State: TN)

ENCLOSED ARE COPIES OF LEGAL PROCESS RECEIVED BY THE STATUTORY AGENT OF THE ABOVE COMPANY AS FOLLOWS:

TITLE OF ACTION:

Ashley M. Woodruff, Pltf. vs. CMH HOMES, INC., Dft.

DOCUMENT(S) SERVED:

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COURT/AGENCY:

None Specified

Case # 55CI121CV73PH

NATURE OF ACTION:

Personal Injury - Failure to Maintain Premises in a Safe Condition

ON WHOM PROCESS WAS SERVED:

C T Corporation System, Flowood, MS

DATE AND HOUR OF SERVICE:

By Process Server on 06/23/2021 at 15:59

JURISDICTION SERVED:

Mississippi

APPEARANCE OR ANSWER DUE:

None Specified

ATTORNEY(S) / SENDER(S):

None Specified

ACTION ITEMS:

SOP Papers with Transmittal, via UPS Next Day Air, 1ZX212780137206391

Image SOP

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EXHIBIT 6

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF PEARL RIVER COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

ASHLEY M. WOODRUFF

PLAINTIFF

VS.

CAUSE NO.: 55CI1: 21-CV-73-PH

CMH HOMES, INC.

DEFENDANT

SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

CMH Homes, Inc. TO: CT Corporation System, Registered Agent of Process 645 Lakeland East Dr., Ste 101 Flowood, MS 39232

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT

THE COMPLAINT WHICH IS ATTACHED TO THIS SUMMONS IS IMPORTANT AND YOU MUST TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHTS.

You are required to mail or hand-deliver a copy of a written response to the Complaint to Scott Bishop, Esquire, the attorney for the plaintiff, whose address is 1712 15th Street, Suite 300, Gulfport, MS 39501.

Your response must be mailed or delivered within thirty (30) days from the date of delivery of this Summons and Complaint or a judgment by default will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the complaint.

You must file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this day of May, 2021.

CLERK OF PEARL RIVER COUNTY Pearl River County Circuit Clerk

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CMH HOMES, INC.

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COMPLAINT

NOW INTO COURT, through undersigned counsel, come the Plaintiff,
ASHLEY M. WOODRUFF who files this Complaint against the Defendant, CMH
HOMES, INC., and show this honorable court that:

I.

The Plaintiff, Ashley M. Woodruff, is a person of majority and domiciled in the County of Pearl River, State of Mississippi.

II.

Defendant, CMH Homes, Inc., is a foreign corporation licensed to, and doing business in Mississippi, who may be served pursuant to the Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure via its registered agent for service of process, CT Corporation, 945 Lakeland East Dr., Ste. 101, Flowood, MS 3232.

III.

This cause of action occurred or accrued in the Pearl River County, Mississippi; and pursuant to the provisions Miss. Code Ann. §11-11-3, as amended, venue is proper in this Court.

IV.

That on or about April 23, 2019, Plaintiff, along with her husband signed a "sales agreement" (Attached as "Exhibit 1" to Complaint) for the purchase and possession of a mobile home from the Defendant, CMH Homes, Inc.

V.

That pursuant to said "sales agreement," the mobile home was to be "deliver(ed), set-up, leveled and anchored, install(ed) A/C, steps, and trim out."

VI.

That on the day of delivery, the home was set up, but the front steps were not properly installed, instead resulting in a gap of over 2 feet between the top of the steps and the bottom threshold of the door.

VII.

That rear steps were not attached to the home at all.

VIII.

That a short time later, after the home was delivered to her, Plaintiff was attempting to enter the home and tripped and fell on the step up from the step into the home.

IX.

That CMH Homes, Inc. caused the negligent installation of the steps and/or had notice of the negligent installation of the steps.

X.

The aforesaid incident sued on herein was the fault of, and proximately caused by the negligence of Defendant, CMH Homes, Inc., in the following, non-exclusive respects:

- a. In negligently installing the front steps, thus creating a dangerous condition:
- b. In failing to remedy the dangerous condition in a timely manner;
- c. In violating industry standards and building codes;
- d. In violating the Revised Statutes of the State of Mississippi, all of

which are pled as if copied herein extenso; and

e. All other acts of negligence which were the cause of the collision sued upon and will be shown at the trial of this matter.

XI.

That as a result of the aforesaid fall, Plaintiff, Ashley M. Woodruff has sustained bodily injuries, including but not limited to her right knee.

XII.

As a result thereto, Plaintiff, Ashley M. Woodruff has suffered the following damages: bills for medical treatment, past and future; loss of wages and/or earning capacity, past and future; physical pain and suffering including loss of enjoyment of life, past and future; and mental and emotional distress, past and future.

WHEREFORE, your Plaintiff, Ashley M. Woodruff, prays that CMH Homes, Inc. be served with a copy of this Complaint, and after being duly cited to appear and answer hereto, and after the expiration of all legal delays and due proceedings are had, that there be judgment rendered herein in favor of Plaintiff, Ashley M. Woodruff and against Defendant, CMH Homes, Inc., as alleged, together with legal interest, and for all costs of these proceedings including expert witness fees to be taxed as costs of court, and for all legal and equitable relief this honorable court shall deem appropriate.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this the _____ day of May, 2021.

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		acknowledge receiving a completed copy of this agreement; (4) that all promises and representations made are listed on this agreement; and (5) that there are no other agreements, written or verbal, unless evidenced in writing and signed by the parties.			
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Signature of:

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CMH HOMES, INC.

DEFENDANT

PLAINTIFF'S COMBINED INTERROGATORIES AND REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS PROPOUNDED TO DEFENDANT. CMH HOMES, INC.

COMES NOW Plaintiff. Ashley M. Woodruff, by and through counsel, and propounds the following Interrogatories and Requests for Production of Documents to the defendant, CMH Homes, Inc., to answer the following interrogatories, separately, fully, under oath and in writing, within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof, pursuant to the provisions of the Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure. It is requested that the answers to these Interrogatories be signed by the person making them and that the signature be notarized by an authorized officer.

Each interrogatory is deemed to be continuing and should be supplemented in the event additional information becomes known to you as per all Mississippi Law applicable hereto.

DEFINITIONS

Identify or identity, as used in these interrogatories with reference to a person or individual, requests that the answer provide the name, present address, age, telephone number, occupation, and place of employment, of any and all persons to be identified.

Identify or identity, when used with reference to a document means to state the type of document (e.g. lease, memoranda, log, diary, record, contract, agreement, telegram, telex, letter, note, chart, map, etc.) or some other means of identifying it, its location and custodian, the date thereon, the identity of any party or parties whose name or names appear thereon, or in lieu thereof, attach a copy of each such document.

<u>Describe</u>, as used in these interrogatories, requests that the response explain, <u>in complete</u> detail, the event or thing inquired about, utilizing any and all information available at the time of response.

State, as used in these interrogatories, requests that the answer be either in the affirmative, or the negative.

You or your means CMH Homes, Inc. and all representatives, attorneys, or other parties acting on behalf of CMH Homes, Inc..

<u>Document</u> or <u>documentary</u>, means any written, recorded or graphic matter however produced or preserved.

<u>Incident</u> refers to the incident described in the Complaint forming the basis for the abovecaptioned petition.

INTERROGATORY NO. 1:

State the following with regard to any and all policies of insurance (both primary and excess) which were in full force and effect at the time of the <u>incident</u> sued upon herein, purporting to insure <u>you</u> against the risks and liabilities asserted by <u>Plaintiff</u> herein:

- a. the name of the insurance company or companies issuing said policy or policies;
- b. the limits of coverage of each such policy or policies;
- c. the effective dates of such policies;
- d. the nature of any exclusions which may be relevant to this incident; and
- e. all policy numbers.

INTERROGATORY NO. 2:

Please <u>identify</u> the persons, employees, and/or agents who were responsible for the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit, and state whether or not they were acting in the course and scope of your employment or agency at the time of these actions.

INTERROGATORY NO. 3:

Please <u>describe</u> the steps that were installed at the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit. Your answer should include, but not be limited to what they are made of, their dimensions, how they are constructed, etc.

INTERROGATORY NO. 4:

Please <u>identify</u> the building codes (both local, national, and international) that governed the construction and installation of steps at the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit.

INTERROGATORY NO. 5:

Please <u>describe</u> when you were first made aware of the deficiency of the steps as described in the lawsuit.

INTERROGATORY NO. 6:

Please <u>identify</u> the moment when a mobile home is generally tendered to the buyer for their acceptance (for example, is this accomplished when the home is delivered, when the keys are accepted, etc.? Or does the buyer sign a document accepting the home? Or something else?).

INTERROGATORY NO. 7:

Please describe in detail what the persons, employees, and/or agents listed in Interrogatory Number Two (2) told you about the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit.

INTERROGATORY NO. 8:

When did <u>you</u> first hire and/or contract with the persons, employees, and/or agents listed in Interrogatory Number Two (2) for the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of mobile homes.

INTERROGATORY NO. 9:

Please <u>identify</u> all witnesses to the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit, all persons known to <u>you</u> who were present at the scene of the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit, and all other persons whom <u>you</u> may reasonably expect to call as a witness at the trial of this matter, and provide a brief summary of their expected testimony.

INTERROGATORY NO. 10:

Please <u>identify</u> all persons having knowledge of facts pertaining to the <u>Plaintiff's</u> <u>incident</u>, medical condition, claims and/or damages, and provide a brief summary of their expected testimony.

INTERROGATORY NO. 11:

With reference to any and all investigations conducted by <u>you</u> or anyone on <u>your</u> behalf concerning the <u>collision</u> made the basis of this suit, please state:

- a. the <u>identity</u> of each person making said investigation or participating in any way therein;
- b. the date and place of each investigation or portion thereof;
- c. whether any reports of any such investigation(s) were prepared;
- d. <u>describe</u> each such report, including the date of the report, and the identity of the

person(s) preparing and/or signing same;

e. the <u>identity</u> of all persons contacted by <u>you</u> or <u>your</u> investigator concerning any matter related to <u>Plaintiff</u> and/or this litigation.

INTERROGATORY NO. 12:

Please <u>identify</u> and <u>describe</u> any and all <u>collision</u> reports concerning the collision in question, regardless of whether <u>you</u> are in possession of said reports. Please also identify each known custodian of each known copy of each report.

INTERROGATORY NO. 13:

Have you or anyone acting on your behalf taken any statements, whether recorded, typed, written or oral, from any persons having knowledge of facts involved in this suit? If so, identify each and every person interviewed, the date of each interview, the identity of the person(s) conducting the interview, whether the statement was recorded, typed, written or oral, and the present custodian of each recording and transcription of said statements.

INTERROGATORY NO. 14:

Do you have any photos, videos, or any other documentary evidence depicting the incident scene, steps, Plaintiff(s), or any other matter relevant to this suit? If so, please state the number of photos, the length of the videos, the type and character of any other documentary evidence, a general description of the contents of all such documentary evidence, the identity of the photographer, the date such documentary evidence was taken or recorded, and the identity of the present custodian of the negatives, originals, prints and all copies of such documentary evidence.

INTERROGATORY NO. 15:

Please <u>identify</u> and <u>describe</u> any and all repairs or alterations made to the mobile home that is the subject of this litigation, including but not limited to repairs or alterations of the steps.

INTERROGATORY NO. 16:

If <u>you</u> contend that any or all of <u>Plaintiff's</u> alleged damages were caused other than by the <u>incident</u> sued upon herein, please <u>identify</u> all such facts upon which <u>you</u> rely.

INTERROGATORY NO. 17:

Please <u>describe</u> any and all surveillance conducted by <u>you</u> or anyone on <u>your</u> behalf or at your direction or by anyone regarding this matter, including but not limited to any surveillance of the Plaintiff, or anyone related to the <u>Plaintiff</u>, and <u>identify</u> when such activities took place, by whom they were conducted, and whether or not any reports, photographs, notes, or other documents exist concerning said surveillance activities.

INTERROGATORY NO. 18:

Have <u>you</u> conducted any "Index Bureau" inquiries or any other such background checks concerning <u>Plaintiff</u>. If so, please <u>state</u> whether or not <u>you</u> are in possession of a report concerning same.

INTERROGATORY NO. 19:

As to each expert whom <u>you</u> have previously listed or for whom <u>you</u> expect to call as a witness at trial, please <u>state</u> as to each:

- a. His/her name, address and anticipated field of expertise for which you will tender him/her;
- b. The subject matter on which he/she is expected to testify;
- c. The substance of facts and opinions to which the expert is expected to testify:
- d. A summary of the grounds for each such opinion; and
- e. A detailed statement of his/her qualifications, expertise, educational

history, testimonial history, and any of his/her articles, publications, presentations or papers.

INTERROGATORY NO. 20:

Please <u>identify</u> any and all <u>documents</u> and things which <u>you</u> might reasonably attempt to use, reference or introduce into evidence at the trial of this matter.

REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION:

REQUEST NO. 1:

Please produce a *certified* copy of each and every policy of liability insurance, both primary and excess, which were in full force and effect at the time of the <u>collision</u> sued upon, which purportedly provides <u>you</u> with coverage against the claims and liabilities asserted by Plaintiff herein.

REOUEST NO. 2:

If you contend that <u>Plaintiff</u> or any other person acted in such a manner as to cause or contribute to <u>Plaintiff</u>'s <u>incident</u>, please produce all <u>documents</u> supporting <u>your</u> contention.

REQUEST NO. 3:

Please produce a copy of any and all investigative reports prepared in connection with the <u>incident</u> in question.

REQUEST NO. 4:

Please produce a copy of any and all statements in <u>your</u> possession taken from persons having knowledge of facts pertaining to the <u>incident</u> in question. If such statements have been recorded, please produce a copy of each such recording. Additionally, if such statements have been transcribed, please produce a copy of each transcription.

REQUEST NO. 5:

Please produce a copy of any and all statements in <u>your</u> possession taken from persons having knowledge of facts pertaining to the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit. If such statements have been recorded, please produce a copy of each such recording. Additionally, if such statements have been transcribed, please produce a copy of each transcription.

REQUEST NO. 6:

Please produce a copy of any and all <u>documents</u> pertaining to "Index Bureau" inquiries regarding <u>Plaintiff</u>.

REQUEST NO. 7:

Please produce a copy of any and all surveillance photos, films, reports, records, notes and videos concerning <u>Plaintiff</u>.

REQUEST NO. 8:

Please produce a copy of any and all photos, videos, and other such documentary evidence depicting Plaintiff, the scene of the incident, or any other matter relevant to this litigation.

REQUEST NO. 9:

If you contend that <u>Plaintiff's</u> damages were caused by something other than the <u>incident</u> in question, please produce a copy of any and all <u>documents</u> and things which support <u>your</u> contention.

REQUEST NO. 10:

Please produce a copy of any and all <u>documents</u> in <u>your</u> possession or control purporting to bear <u>Plaintiff's</u> signature.

REQUEST NO. 11:

Please produce a copy of any documents referencing any and all subsequent repairs or alterations of the mobile home that is the subject of this litigation, including, but not limited to the steps.

REQUEST NO. 12:

Please produce a copy of any and all medical reports, records, bills, x-rays and notes concerning <u>Plaintiff</u> other than those provided to <u>you</u> by <u>Plaintiff's</u> counsel or other documents reflecting <u>Plaintiff's</u> medical history, condition, complaints of pain or other symptoms, before or after the subject <u>incident</u>.

REQUEST NO. 13:

Please produce a copy of any and all documents which <u>you</u> obtained through the use of any authorizations signed by the <u>Plaintiff</u>, including a copy of any and all <u>documents</u> and correspondence directed to third parties requesting the release of <u>documents</u> through the use of said authorizations.

REQUEST NO. 14:

Please produce a copy of any and all <u>documents</u> which <u>you</u> obtain through the use of any subpoena issued in this matter.

REQUEST NO. 15:

Please produce for inspection and copying any and all <u>documents</u> and things which <u>you</u> might reasonably attempt to introduce into evidence at the trial of this matter.

REQUEST NO. 16:

All statements, or <u>documents</u>, which purport to be an admission against interest, of any <u>Plaintiff</u> or any Defendant involved in this action.

REQUEST NO. 17:

Please produce documentation identifying the persons, employees, and/or agents who were responsible for the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit.

REQUEST NO. 18:

If those identified in Request Number 17 above are not employees, please produce documentation of any agreement between you and those individuals or company / agency employing those individuals.

REQUEST NO. 19:

Please produce documentation showing what is specifically required of the persons, employees, and/or agents who were responsible for the delivery, set-up, level and anchoring, installation of the A/C, installation of the steps, and the "trim out" of the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit.

REQUEST NO. 20:

Please produce documentation evidencing any building codes (both local, national, and international) that governed the construction and installation of steps at the mobile home that is the subject of this lawsuit.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, this _____ day of June, 2021.

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